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# **INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 935**

**DATE:** September 1, 2010

**TO:** Iowa Medicaid Habilitation, Remedial Services and HCBS Waiver Providers

(Excluding Individual CDAC)

**ISSUED BY:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

**RE:** 2010 Provider Quality Management Self-Assessment

The Department of Human Services has implemented a quality management process for providers of each of the services identified below. As a provider enrolled for one or more of these services you are required to complete the 2010 Provider Quality Management Self-Assessment. Failure to complete the self-assessment may jeopardize your status as a Medicaid provider of these services.

This system of provider oversight is required of all Medicaid providers of the following services.

- □ AIDS/HIV waiver: agency CDAC, respite, adult day care
- □ **Brain Injury waiver**: behavior programming, agency CDAC, respite, supported community living, supported employment, prevocational, IMMT, adult day care, family counseling and training
- □ **Children's Mental Health waiver**: family and community support services, in-home family therapy, respite
- □ Elderly waiver: agency CDAC (including Assisted Living providers), respite, adult day care, case management (if not Chapter 24 accredited)
- □ **Intellectual Disability waiver** (formally known as the MR waiver): agency CDAC, respite, supported community living, supported employment, prevocational, IMMT, adult day care, day habilitation, residential-based supported community living
- □ Ill and Handicapped waiver: respite, agency CDAC, IMMT, adult day care
- □ Physical Disability waiver: agency CDAC
- □ **Habilitation services**: day habilitation, home-based habilitation, prevocational habilitation, supported employment habilitation
- □ **Remedial services**: community psychiatric supportive treatment, crisis intervention, health or behavior intervention, rehabilitation program, skills training and development

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SELF-ASSESSMENT COMPLETION

The self-assessment can be found at: <a href="www.ime.state.ia.us/HCBS/ReviewTools.html">www.ime.state.ia.us/HCBS/ReviewTools.html</a>. Each provider must download the assessment from this site and save it as a Word document. Each provider will complete only one self-assessment for the HCBS Waivers, Habilitation, and/or Remedial Services they provide, regardless of the number of office locations or services provided.

The completed self-assessment must be received by the IME by 11/1/10. All sections of the self-assessment must be completed in their entirety. Please read the self-assessment instructions carefully.

The responses selected for each of the requirements should accurately reflect the policies currently in place. Selecting "yes" to each of the indicators listed for a Requirement indicates the provider has a current policy that incorporates/identifies each of the indicators listed. If selecting "no" as a response to an indicator, the provider must identify their plan to incorporate the indicator into their policies. Incomplete self-assessments (including Section E) will not be accepted. The provider will have 15 days to resubmit the completed self-assessment to the IME.

## □ Section A - Provider Information

- o Provider name (individual or organization) should be identified *exactly* as registered to the EIN number.
- Street Address is that of the parent agency office. The street address for an agency may not be a
  post office box, since records cannot be kept there. However, the mailing address may include a
  post office box.

## □ Section B – Service Enrollment

 Each of the programs and services the provider is enrolled in should be identified. If you are enrolled to provide a service that is not identified in this section, you must select a different version of the form to complete.

## □ Section C - Affiliated Office Locations

- o Identify the address for each additional office associated with this agency. If there are more than 3 office locations, use page 3a to identify those additional locations.
- o Providers should identify each NPI for services offered at each location.

# □ Section D - Iowa Administrative Code Standards

- Refer to form instructions.
- When applicable, describe the plan to meet the proposed standards. Document the plan and timeline for meeting the proposed standards.
- Corrective action. If, during the completion of the self-assessment, the provider discovers current rules/standards have not been met, the provider must identify a corrective action plan on the self-assessment. Implementation of the corrective action plan must occur within 30 days of the self-assessment completion date identified in Section I.

## □ Section E - Guarantee of Accuracy

- o Provider name must match Section A and the EIN number enrollment name.
- o Signatures are required as applicable to the organizational structure of the provider.

## **Additional Information**

After completing all sections of the self-assessment, **Sections A, B, C and D** should be <u>emailed</u> to <u>hcbsqi@dhs.state.ia.us</u>. In the subject line, identify the provider name and county location of the main/central agency office.

**Section E** (only) should be mailed to: Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

Attn: HCBS QI 100 Army Post Road Des Moines, IA 50315

Or faxed to (515) 725-1360 Attn: HCBS QI

The Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) program will document receipt of the above materials and will **only** contact the agency if additional information is needed or a self-assessment has not been received. If an agency or HCBS Specialist identifies corrective action is needed, it is the agency's responsibility to develop the corrective action plan; however, technical assistance may be requested from the HCBS Specialist assigned to the agency.

Questions about this letter and/or self-assessment form should be directed to the HCBS Specialist assigned to the county where the parent agency is located. To locate a list of the regional specialists by county, visit:

www.ime.state.ia.us/docs/HCBS Specialists.pdf